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House Resolution 2125

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th and Reece of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Remembering and honoring the life of Commissioner Napoleon Fielder and expressing
- 2 regrets at his passing; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on February 21, 2008, Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most
- 4 distinguished public servants with the passing of Napoleon Fielder; and
- 5 WHEREAS, in 1980, the honorable Napoleon Fielder became the first black commissioner
- 6 appointed to the City of Rome Commission and he went on to serve in that position for more
- 7 than two decades before resigning his position in 2002; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he had an amazing career of service to the citizens of the City of Rome and he
- 9 helped to pave the way for other black public officials in Georgia and throughout the nation;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman had a kind heart and loving spirit and he was
- 12 committed to humbly serving others; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was most noted for his saying, "working together works," and he strived to
- succeed by working together with all those who sought to serve the people, earning the
- 15 reputation as a great peace maker; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Napoleon Fielder was a tremendous leader, loved and admired by friends,
- 17 family, and all those who had the fortune to know him; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he served his country honorably as a United States Army veteran including
- 19 combat service in World War II and the Korean War and remained in the United States Army
- 20 Reserves until 1975; and

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1 WHEREAS, Napoleon Fielder served his community in many capacities and occupations,

- 2 was a member of numerous associations and commissions, and wherever he worked it was
- 3 always a job well done; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Commissioner Fielder will be remembered as a strong and determined advocate
- 5 for civil and human rights and an insightful community leader who demonstrated great
- 6 dedication to the betterment of the City of Rome and the quality of life of its citizens.
- 7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 8 the members of this body join to express their deepest regret at the passing of Commissioner
- 9 Napoleon Fielder and extend their sincere condolences to his family.
- 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Commissioner
- 12 Napoleon Fielder.